## SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: Having successfully passed the one-third mark, we welcome you back to the Legislative Chambers this morning for the twenty-first (sic) day, twenty-first (sic) business day, and this is the First Session of the Ninetieth Legislature, thirty-first, correction, thank you, Mr. Clerk. We are pleased to have with us this morning for the opening prayer a gentleman from Gering, Senator John Weihing. (Gavel.)

SENATOR WEIHING: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Senator John. Roll call.

CLERK: There is a quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, sir. Any corrections to the Journal?

CLERK: No corrections, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Messages, reports and announcements.

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review reports LB 254, 189 and 354 to Select File, some of which have E & R amendments attached. (See pages 798-99 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, I have an announcement from the Speaker regarding Chairpersons meeting for February 26 at eight-thirty.

And, Mr. President, LR 36 is now ready for your signature.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Legislative resolution, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 37 offered by Senator Pirsch found on page 796 of the Journal, asking that the Legislature commend and applaud the efforts of 90 students involved from 11 schools who participated in the Academic Decathlon. The resolution, Mr. President, as I indicated, is on page 796 of the Journal.

SFEAKER BARRETT: Senator Carol McBride Pirsch, please.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Members of the body, I hope you are all listening and paying attention. We have talked already this year a great deal about the gifted student and what